

CONGRESS
ADJOURNS

To Meet After the
Holidays.

Liberal Aid to Klondyke
Miners.

The Republic of Colombia to Ex-
plain the Detention of
Americans.

WASHINGTON, December 18.—Today's
open session of the senate was brief, the
time being consumed in the introduction
of bills and resolutions, several of the
latter calling for information from vari-
ous departments being passed. One of
the resolutions agreed to increases from
\$50,000 to \$62,500, the amount to be ex-
pended by the government on the build-
ings at the trans-Mississippi interna-
tional exposition to be held in Omaha,
and reduced by \$12,500 the sum to be
expended upon the government's dis-
play.

During the executive session the sen-
ate received and adopted the conference
report on the bill providing for the ex-
tension of relief to the miners in the
Yukon river territory.

Mr. Allen of Nebraska introduced a
resolution, which was passed, directing
the postmaster general to inform the
senate of all railway and steamship mail
contracts made by the United States
now in force.

Mr. White of California presented a
resolution, which was agreed to, calling
on the President to inform the senate
of all railway and steamship mail con-
tracts made by the United States now
in force.

Mr. Kyle of South Dakota introduced
and had passed a resolution calling on
the secretary of state for all papers from
the Haytian government relating to
Bernard Campbell.

On motion of Mr. Hale of Maine the
senate then, at 12:45 p.m., went into ex-
ecutive session.

During the executive session the sen-
ate received upon the bill providing
relief for the Klondyke miners was re-
ceived and adopted. The bill appropri-
ates \$200,000 to be expended under the
direction of the secretary of war in the
purchase of supplies for the relief of the
people in the Yukon country or other
mining regions of Alaska and for the
transportation and distribution of such
supplies, provided that if the consent of
the Canadian government be obtained,
the secretary of war may extend the re-
lief into Canadian territory. The reso-
lution further provides that the supplies
may be sold in that region at such prices
as may be fixed by the secretary of war
or donated to those unable to pay for them.

The secretary of war is authorized to
use the United States army in carrying
into effect the provision of the act to im-
port reindeer and drivers for the trans-
portation of the supplies and to adopt
such other provisions as are practicable.
The secretary is directed, when the
work shall have been completed to tell
the reindeer or return them over to the
secretary of the interior in his discretion
and make a detailed report to congress
at the beginning of the next session of
all disbursements made and results ac-
complished under the act.

At 2 p.m. the senate adjourned until
January 5th.

WASHINGTON, December 18.—This
being the last day of the session before
the holidays, the chairman of the house
took occasion in his opening prayer to
refer to the approaching season of peace
and good will and to pay a tribute to the
late Representative Cook of Illinois,
whose eulogies were read for today.
The conference report of the relief
measures for the Klondyke country was
presented and agreed to. It comprises
the amount of relief at \$200,000; pro-
vided for securing the consent of Canada
to extending the relief to the Canadian
side and authorizes the use of the army
to carry out the relief measures. It also
provides that the supplies must be pur-
chased, instead of being donated.
The house bill was passed, conferring
certain cash entries of public lands.
The speaker announced several com-
munications including Royce of In-
diana, to succeed Johnson of Indiana
resigned as chairman of the elections
committee No. 2, and that of Penn-
sylvania to succeed Kirkpatrick of Penn-
sylvania on Pacific railroads.

LUETGERT'S RETRIAL.

The Incident That Led to the
Arrest.

CHICAGO, December 18.—Dietrich
Bicknese, brother of the missing Mrs.
Luetgert, was placed on the witness
stand today in the trial of Adolph L.
Luetgert for murder. The testimony
did not differ materially from that given
by Bicknese in the former trial. He
told of asking Luetgert May 4th about
the disappearance of his wife. Luetgert
said she had not gone away with any
man as she did not care for men. He
added that if he spoke the truth people would
not be with him. "If you don't report
this matter to the police I will. I want
it cleared up," said Bicknese to him.
Luetgert intimated that Bicknese might
do as he pleased and that day the dis-
appearance of the woman was reported to
Captain Schutler.

If you would be successful do not per-
mit circumstances to become your mas-
ters but rather make servants of them.

NOT HOFF BUT BLANTHER

Another Reminiscence of the San
Jose Murderer.

SAN JOSE, December 18.—Local offi-
cials generally scout the idea that Hoff
murdered the woman Emma Hawkins
here April 23, 1896. Many persons,
however, believe that Josef Blanthier
killed the woman. A man giving his
name as Robert G. Figi appeared here
with a woman as his wife. A cottage
was furnished handsomely on North
Fourth street and the couple were ap-
parently happy.

One day after but a few weeks of mar-
ried life, the woman found she had been
deserted. She said her husband had
taken her watch, jewelry and \$1700 in
cash which was her savings.
The woman was greatly prostrated by
her desertion. Eventually she recov-
ered and to some of her intimates told
that the man who had married and de-
serted her was Blanthier.

In San Francisco's "Tenderloin."

SAN FRANCISCO, December 18.—Alice
Oliver, who lived at 1055 Howard street,
was taken to the Receiving hospital to-
day suffering from carbolic acid poison-
ing. She was unconscious when she ar-
rived at the hospital and died without
regarding her senses. John Donovan,
with whom she had been living, told the
police she took the poison because she
was angry with him. They had been
drinking during the morning with John
Sullivan, a mutual friend, and all three
were very drunk when the woman took
the drug.

Germany's Eastern Campaign.

KITZ, December 18.—The North Ger-
man Lloyd steamer Darmstadt, having
on board half the number of volunteers
bound for China and an immense
amount of war material left here today
for the East. The steamer Orefield will
follow in a fortnight with the volunteers
and more war material.

A Medal for Perrine.

SAN JOSE, December 18.—The comet
medal of the Astronomical Society of
the Pacific has been awarded to Asis-
tant Astronomer O. D. Perrine of the
Lick Observatory for his discovery of a
comet on October 18th last.

LOUIS JAMES.

"A Cavalier of France" at
the Barton.

The Play Does Not Give the
Actor Opportunity for His
Best Work.

There is a great deal of satisfaction in
witnessing a performance given by Louis
James, although one may not always be
pleased with the particular character
that he is playing. This most excellent
actor always gives a good, conscientious
representation of his part. I remember
the first time that I saw Mr. James. He
was then playing the fool to Lawrence
Berrett's Francesca de Rimini, and so
well did Mr. James portray the part
that it was a hard matter to say which
one liked better, the star or his lend-
ing man.

Mr. James has gone steadily forward
since then, and perhaps today stands at
the head of the American actors in his
particular line of acting.
"A Cavalier of France" is somewhat
different from the plays in which he has
acted in recent years. It is a romantic
drama full of plotting and counter plot-
ting, intrigue upon intrigue, and while it
is very interesting indeed, still there is
hardly a scene in it in which Mr. James
finds an opportunity to do his best work,
which is in the heavy and tragic acting.
He has mounted "A Cavalier of France"
in a faultless manner, and has sur-
rounded himself with a much better and
more evenly balanced company of play-
ers than are generally found with stars.
The costumes are new and elegant and
the stage settings correct and in excel-
lent taste.

Mr. James as Rene de Froissac made
all there was to be made of the charac-
ter, but he failed, for lack of opportu-
nity, to warm the audience up as he has
often done before. Consequently there
were no certain calls given him, as he
has received time and again when he
has portrayed a part that appealed more
deeply to his audience. The fault, if
any, was with the play and not the
player; still I enjoyed it from first to
last.

In Miss Mary Emerson as Gabrielle
Mr. James has a beautiful and graceful
leading lady, who interpreted the part
splendidly. Catherine de Medici was
charmingly done by Mrs. Wells, who
looked every inch a queen, both in car-
riage and the manner in which she wore
her beautiful costumes, although she
did not look too hard-hearted and un-
feeling person she is supposed to be.

Barry Johnston as Henry III gave a
splendid portrayal of the part, and the
Du Da'Anjon by Colin Kemper was all
that could be desired.

Obit. The pastor, by Gilbert Gar-
ner, Kozlari, the attorney, by Frank
Peters, and Marguerite de Valois by
Miss James were splendidly sustained
characters.

TARRED AND FEATHERED.

Episodes in the Career of a Disso-
lute Preacher.

PUEBLO, Colo., December 18.—Rev. T.
S. Rooker, late of Steelburg, Neb., where
he was pastor of a Methodist Episcopal
church, and Mary Johnson were married
here today. It is alleged that they
clipped from Steelburg, Neb., where Mr.
Rooker left his wife and three children.
The man will be prosecuted here on a
criminal charge and the girl will be sent
back to her home. Mr. Rooker is 45
years old and Miss Johnson 15. It is
said that Rooker was tarred and feathered
several years ago at Moreland Kan.,
on account of alleged immoralities.

Fell Down a Shaft.

JACKSON, Cal., December 18.—John
Tevagzi, an Italian miner, was killed to-
day by falling down the shaft of the
North Eureka mine near Butte Creek.

DURRANT'S
LAST MOVE

Seeks to Recover His
Clothing.

The Request Is Promptly
Denied.

Fears Entertained That an Im-
proper Motive Lurks Behind
the Application.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 18.—Wm.
A. Durrant, father of the condemned
murderer of Blanche Lamont, called at
the district attorney's office today and
asked to see Mr. Barnes. That gentle-
man was not in, however, but the chief
assistant, Mr. Walter Blair, was, and to
him Durrant, Sr., addressed himself. He
said that now that the Blanche Lamont
murder trial was over, and the judgment
affirmed, with no possibility
of its ever again finding its way into the
courts, he supposed the police depart-
ment had no further use for the prison-
er's personal effects, which have been in
keeping of the property clerk since
April 14, 1895.

"I have here an order," said Durrant,
Sr., "which I want you to O. K." So
saying, he pulled a piece of paper from
his pocket and handed it to Blair. It
proved to be an order duly drawn, call-
ing upon the property clerk of the police
department to deliver up to Wm. A.
Durrant the following articles:

One slouch hat, one overcoat, one coat,
vest and trousers, one complete set of
under garments, one watch, chain and
locket, one bank book.

"I have been to Judge Blair," ex-
plained Durrant. "I asked him to sign
the order and he has promised to do so
if the district attorney will 'O. K.' it."

"What do you want the things for?"
asked Blair.

"There is a little money in the bank,"
said Durrant. "We want to get it out.
We are very badly in need of money."
"What do you want with the money?"
"We are obliged to turn everything to
account," was the dogged answer. "The
things are of no use."

Blair shook his head. "I am very
sorry," he said, "but it's out of the
question. The district attorney will
never 'O. K.' that order. You may con-
sult with him in and ask him, if you
like, but I tell you that he will not sign.
He will never allow those things to go
out of custody until —" and here Blair
paused.

"Until all is over, I suppose?" asked
Durrant, sadly.

"Yes, that's it," replied Blair. "At
least until the case is finally disposed of."
"Oh, well, I'm obliged to you just the
same. I did not think there would be
any objection." And Durrant Sr.
walked slowly out.

The real motive for Durrant's request
was the topic of discussion in the
district attorney's office for an hour after-
ward. The consensus of opinion ap-
peared to be that Durrant was actuated
by one of two motives. One, to trust to
luck in the Blanche Lamont case and re-
move from sight some dangerous exhi-
bits if the Minnie Williams case should
go to the other, to try the time-
honored principle of a real consideration
money by auctioning off the young
murderer's effects as curios. It was a
strange visit, and caused no little com-
ment.

PERSONAL.

J. F. Wright of Visalia is a visitor in
the city.

P. A. Roole and wife of Sanger were
visitors in Fresno yesterday.

El C. Young was up from Hanford
yesterday accompanied by his wife.

Mrs. W. A. Cooby has returned from
a visit to relatives in San Francisco.

W. E. Hays of Los Banos was in
Fresno yesterday on a business trip.

Mrs. L. G. Hyde of Visalia was in
Fresno yesterday visiting relatives.

Mrs. V. J. Willis, editor of the Selma
Enterprise, was in Fresno yesterday.

Justice St. John is down on the La-
guna de Tache grant on a hunting trip.

G. X. Wendling of San Francisco is
in Fresno. He is manager of the box
combine.

Julius J. Fairweather came over
from Mendocino yesterday to spend Sun-
day in Fresno.

Mrs. S. J. Newlan, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. S. T. White, left yesterday
morning for her home in Bishop, Cal.

SAN PHILLIPS' ACQUITTED.

Drank Wine With Smith, But
Didn't Steal His Money.

Sam Phillips, charged with petty lar-
ceny, was tried by a jury in Judge
Olark's court yesterday afternoon. The
complaining witness was John Smith,
who resides on Granger alley, near the
corner of Fresno and K streets. Smith
met Phillips last Sunday afternoon. He
gave Sam some tobacco, and then a dol-
lar with which to purchase some coal.
Sam kept the dollar and called around
later and explained that he had not
been able to secure the coal. The two
then purchased some wine and visited
several colored friends. Smith is a white
man. Finally he became drunk and
Phillips accompanied him to his room,
leaving after seeing him safely in bed.
After the negro left Smith found that he
was minus \$40.

The jury brought in a verdict of not

guilty. Phillips' troubles were not
ended, however, for he was immediately
re-arrested on the charge of embezzling
the \$1 given him with which to pur-
chase coal for Smith.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Joel H. Smith has taken the oath re-
quired to become a notary public.

Elizabeth Knott has brought suit for
divorce from her husband, John Knott.

At Selma yesterday the second eleven
defeated the Fowler team in a football
game.

John H. Chalmers has secured a
license to marry Hattie Reed. Both
reside in Fresno.

There were many visitors in Fresno
yesterday and the stores did a big trade
in holiday goods.

Elmer Sadler, an insolvent debtor,
was granted his final discharge by Judge
Kistley yesterday.

H. W. Piper secured a license yester-
day to marry Jessie V. McDonald. Both
are residents of Fresno.

William Best was arrested by Police-
man Henry Russell yesterday afternoon
for disturbing the peace.

The Volunteers are making favorable
progress in the arrangements for the
Christmas dinner they will give the poor
children.

J. H. Babbo yesterday filed a location
on a mining claim which he has named
the "Bonanza." G. E. Bullard located
the "Silver Cloud" mine.

A large number of the county school-
teachers were in Fresno yesterday. Sev-
eral of the country schools will be closed
this week for the holidays.

The children of the Orange Center
school will give their Christmas enter-
tainment at Austin hall, Thursday eve-
ning, December 23d. All are invited.

A fire was discovered in Lodington's
barber shop at Selma early Friday
morning, but it was extinguished before
doing any serious damage. An ash-box
was the cause.

The examination of applicants for
certificates to teach in the public schools
will commence on Monday, December
27th. Fifteen applications of parties
desiring to take the examination have
been received up to date.

Low N. an inmate Chinaman, was ex-
amined by Drs. G. L. Long and H. St.
George Hopkins yesterday. His mind
was found to be fairly affected and the
examination recommended that he be
placed in an insane asylum.

The San Francisco Savings Union has
commenced suit against A. B. Covell
et al. to foreclose on a mortgage of \$5750,
together with interest on the same since
1895. The mortgage covers 160 acres in
section 32, township 14, range 22.

The amended content of the will of
Russell G. Wood, deceased, was filed
with the county clerk yesterday. The
contestants are Robert T. Wood and
Charles H. Wood, brothers of the de-
ceased. It is alleged that undue influ-
ence, etc., was used in securing the will
in favor of the parties named in it.

MINERS' OUTFITS

Efforts to Remove the Pres-
ent Canadian Duty.

Opposition to the Proposition to
Close the Dyea Sub-Cus-
toms Port.

WASHINGTON, December 18.—The ques-
tion of the advisability of closing the
sub-customs port at Dyea, Alaska, is in-
fused the treasury department. Several
petitions by mail and telegraph already
have been received, some favoring the
proposition and others against it.

It is certain that a strong case in favor
of the discontinuance of the Dyea office
will have to be made before the depart-
ment would take the action recom-
mended. In any event it is not probable
that the department will pass upon the
question for some time yet. Today Sec-
retary Gage received the following tele-
gram from Tacoma, signed "The Tac-
coma Citizens' Klondyke Association":

"On behalf of the people of the
people of the United States and the con-
tinent who have already signified their
intention of going to Alaska and the
Klondyke, we beg to suggest that for the
present no action be taken toward with-
drawing custom sub-ports in Alaska,
and that efforts be entered upon im-
mediately to remove all duties on miners' outfit-
ing consisting of one year's supply
and weighing a ton or less."

Schoedde Found Guilty.

SANTA CRUZ, December 18.—Mr. M.
Schoedde was found guilty of mayhem
today with a recommendation to mercy.
He will be sentenced December 27.
Schoedde is the veterinary surgeon who
was accused of being O. F. Pyle's ac-
complice in the mutilation of Charles
Harris. The jury disagreed at Schoedde's
first trial. They were only out one hour
today before reaching an agreement.

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tian's Christianity, may be taken any-
where and lose none of its purity. When
railing against fate remember that we
often get more than we deserve in this
world, and seldom less.

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT.

The Republican is not enamored of newspaper controversies. They do newspapers no good; they usually do the community more or less harm. Sometimes there is a reason for such controversies, and sometimes they are unavoidable and necessary, but usually they are neither reasonable, necessary nor unavoidable. Now and then the Republican has been drawn into such unpleasantness, but not often, and there are reasons for this. It is because the Republican is not a party paper, and it is because the Republican is not a newspaper of the kind that is so common in this country. It is because the Republican is a newspaper that is not afraid to say what it thinks, and it is because the Republican is a newspaper that is not afraid to say what it knows.

The Fresno Republican under its present management is not a powerful antagonist nor a successful competitor. Maybe the temper of the Republican is not of the best, but it would hardly be otherwise while the efforts of the evening paper would not be tolerated in a prize ring or a dog pit. Nothing can be said that hurts it and nothing it can say that hurts anybody. A brass band can make a noise, can keep people awake at night and destroy the tranquility of the day. Some people cannot distinguish between a riot and a profession of reform. A blatant demagogue and a common faker is often confused in his own mind with the truly great and powerful. Debate is legitimate, argument is beneficial, and the exposition of extravagance or corruption in office in a truthful and rational way is the legitimate function of a newspaper. Lying and unwarranted vilification is neither beneficial nor the legitimate function of anybody or anything.

There is no inflexible rule to guide a newspaper in these matters, but the line always lies somewhere near the truth, shows some regard for public and private rights and human feeling; does not skirt close to the criminal law and cringe behind financial irresponsibility.

That the evening paper is conducted on false pretenses there can be no doubt. That A. B. Butler once owned the paper is admitted. That was just a little while ago. It is equally true that a sham transfer was gone through with, but no one has intervened between Mr. Butler and this property who is in the least suspected of having anything but an excess of well developed jawbone. No one who pretends to be advised doubts that A. B. Butler owned that paper just as fully, dollar for dollar, as he ever did. It may be conceded, however, that he has a right to be ashamed of his paper if he wants to be, and that it has equally good reasons for denying his ownership. In fact, for once, the community is pretty much in accord with both along this line.

But even such an aggregation as this, with no admitted financial foundation or honesty of purpose—a moral degenerate—can do no end of harm. Just stop and think of a combination of this kind pretending to lead "reform" and "conserve" "morals" and going hand in hand with the truly good! But we have seen the spectacle, and it is only one degree more ridiculous than the living picture of this outfit attempting to pose as the friends of Populism and the downtrodden masses.

A. B. Butler a Populist! The *Expositor* a friend of the farmer—the gentle "hayseed" whom it has declared, when forced to the issue, unfit to be a supervisor.

Is the *Expositor*, or anybody connected with it, in actual sympathy with a single doctrine or idea of the Populist party? Not for one minute—and everybody knows they are not. Yet there is a great blowing of horns and the loud noise of inviting everybody to fall in line and follow "it" and a lot of farmers who never farm to the commissary wagon that is guaranteed to be just in sight. Is this Jeffersonian Democracy? Is this Populism that censors apolls, pledges reform and keeps in the middle of the road?

But we digress. Honesty is not of parties. Official rectitude is a matter personal to the individual office holder. The rank and file of any party is not organized to plunder and steal.

The Republicans have not given the county a perfect administration, and no one expected they would. No party will ever do that. But judged by the record there can be no doubt that an advance has resulted by a change from the old regime. Our reputation, (in spite of the *Expositor*) is better at home and abroad, life and property is safer and more respected, the law is better and less expensively administered. It may be that conditions have improved, but the fact remains that as a whole the officials of this county are citizens of repute and standing. Take them man by man and ask any old citizen of intelligence and fair judgment, and the answers will be well nigh unanimous. Therefore it is an insult to intelligence and a travesty upon justice that they should be denounced in public print as thieves, scoundrels and criminals. That such abuse from such a source in the past has resulted in the election by an increased majority of the slandered may atone somewhat to the individual, but it does not relieve the community from the stigma and disgrace.

Republican ascendancy, Democratic

ascendancy or Populist ascendancy, it is a question whether we shall rule and be ruled as a civilized people. It is a matter of no more significance to the Republican than to any citizen. The Republican is conducted as a Republican newspaper, but it realizes not the less that good local government and honest men are the important requisite. It is proud of the fact that many of its warm friends are Democrats and Populists. It differs from them politically but that need not and does not lessen the respect of either. The Republican is not ashamed of its proprietors, and while it has made mistakes, they are not ashamed of it, nor to own their connection with it.

But what we desire mainly to say in this connection is that we have here in Fresno a great county, richly endowed and magnificently endowed. The accomplishments of today are but an introduction to the future. Great things are to be done or left undone. Either we shall succeed as Nature has designed, or shall fail. We shall not succeed as Republicans alone, as Democrats alone or as Populists alone. If we succeed at all it will be by united, intelligent and honest effort; by truth and industry, not by noise, slander and recrimination.

There are proportionately but a few people standing around waiting for office. Would it not be sensible and possible to devote most of our energies to building up and advancing, and giving credit where credit is due instead of tearing down, and destroying our peace at home and credit abroad?

It makes precious little difference to the Republican as a financial matter whether one party succeeds or another, but it does make a great deal of difference to it whether the community advances or retrogrades. To advance, attention must be paid to many matters of legitimate importance, and this cannot be done—at least not to good advantage—while an incessant and hideous beating of tom-toms distracts the attention of the public.

Such methods never have and never can succeed, but in the meantime incalculable harm is being done, and the Republican desires to go upon record as emphatically protesting against it. This paper seldom finds it necessary to assail men of other parties, and never to slander them, and it is morally certain that the present disgraceful and long continued course of the so-called organ of the Democratic party and the would-be organ of the Populist party finds condemnation and support in neither of these organizations.

The only countenance and support it receives, in fact, is in the pot-housers' room to which it belongs.

Suppose for one moment that Supervisor Manly were a Republican and, by following an illegal precedent had got himself into a very serious difficulty with his constituents, involving several hundred dollars earned by them in doing work at his suggestion. What would the *Expositor* be doing to him at this time? Not a thing but declaring that he is a scheming scoundrel who ought to be lynched for leading the poor foolstuffers into a trap. And yet there is every reason to believe that Supervisor Manly has acted in perfect good faith, and while the predicament is a serious one both for himself and the citizens who have done the work and are unable to get their pay, no one will believe that the supervisor is intentionally at fault.

Fix effect therefore of all the backing and filling on the pool room license has been to collect the back money due, to collect a \$300 quarterly license, and to re-establish the \$15 a day rate. Inasmuch as the reduction has been deferred, the \$300 paid for a license will be applied as an advance payment on the day rate. The *Expositor*.

The "effect therefore" does not appear to be particularly unsatisfactory up to date, except to the pool room gamblers and their friends. The final decision not to reduce the license is unimpeachably satisfactory.

The Republican congratulates Supervisor Rose upon having yielded to the public will in the pool room license matter. In a matter of this kind it is the duty of a supervisor to hold his own views in abeyance where they come in conflict with public sentiment. Messrs. Rose, Manly and Sayre have voiced a practically unanimous public sentiment in refusing to lower the license. They have done the right thing.

more than half the arguments in favor of question whether we shall rule and be ruled as a civilized people. It is a matter of no more significance to the Republican than to any citizen. The Republican is conducted as a Republican newspaper, but it realizes not the less that good local government and honest men are the important requisite. It is proud of the fact that many of its warm friends are Democrats and Populists. It differs from them politically but that need not and does not lessen the respect of either. The Republican is not ashamed of its proprietors, and while it has made mistakes, they are not ashamed of it, nor to own their connection with it.

SOCIETY WILL BE THERE.

The Apollo Club at the Barton Tomorrow Evening.
Society will be out in force on Monday evening to attend the Apollo Club concert at the Barton opera house. The popularity of the club and its high class musical entertainments in the past are sufficient guarantees that all who attend will enjoy a delightful evening and an splendid musical treat. Already a sufficient number of tickets have been sold to insure the success of the concert financially.

SELMA MASONS.

Big Meeting of Their Lodge Last Night.

The Masonic lodge at Selma had a big meeting last night, when five candidates were raised to the Master Masonic degree. They were Edward Pugh, John S. Pugh, Uriah Pugh, George Salce and George Leon. Three of them are sons of J. M. Pugh of Prairie district, and Mr. Salce is his nephew. Mr. Leon is the Southern Pacific agent at Fowler. The event was a notable one in the history of the Selma lodge, and over 100 Masons from the lodges in Fresno, Tulare and Kings counties were in attendance, among them being J. W. Anderson, past grand lecturer; H. W. Ensign, ex-district inspector, and J. L. Gilbert, district inspector, as well as several past masters.

INDESCRIBABLY BEAUTIFUL

Are Innumerable Holiday Articles at Riege's.

To say that C. H. Riege is displaying a fine line of holiday goods is to say that which has truthfully been stated each year at Christmas time for several years past. But the expression is inadequate. The reader doesn't get a proper idea of the richness, profusion and beauty of the stock of holiday novelties that Mr. Riege is showing. A description of what these goods are and how new, novel and interesting they appear can only be had from an inspection of the store. Neither is there space here to enumerate the articles. Call at Riege's store and see the prettiest line of holiday goods shown in California and at the lowest prices.

NO IDLE BOAST.

Redlick Bros. Claims Substantiated By Facts.

"The inexorable logic of facts" and the manœuvreable argument of accomplished results tell in favor of the claims made by Redlick Bros. that their prices are lower and their values in merchandise greater than are offered elsewhere in Fresno or in the state. There is no other way of accounting for the fact that their stores are crowded all the time and that the rush of business continues in increasing volume in their direction. People don't go with a rush to any one house unless there is a reason for it. They go to go to a decided rush to Redlick's and the reason is that Redlick's claims are true. Buyers have found out that Redlick's is the cheapest and best place to trade in Fresno and consequently they go to those stores to do their trading.

IMPLICIT CONFIDENCE

Reposed in a Fresno Jewelry House.

Not many people are well posted as to values in diamonds and fine jewelry. So when the holiday season comes around and they find themselves preparing to select presents, most people will go to some established, reliable and reputable house to do their trading. Fresno people with great unanimity go to Warner's, where there is a large and fine assortment to choose from, and where the buyer knows that he is absolutely safe in making his purchases. It is the reasonable plan.

FOR CHRISTMAS.

Low Prices in Handkerchiefs at

Louis Herenghi's.
Louis Herenghi, the leader in low prices, is making a special run for the holidays in handkerchiefs, as may be seen by consulting his advertisement on the eighth page of this paper, or, better still, by taking a look at his show windows, 1022 J street.

Notice!

T. V. Porter left Fresno November 29th to locate a hunting ground, for two days. He was last seen at Fresno station, where he took the train for Los Angeles (as he said). The following is a description of him: Porter is a member of Typographical Union No. 144. He has been employed on the *Expositor* for about eight years, and has always been a man of the heat of habit. He was about 30 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, of a fair complexion, dark and wavy hair, thin features and nose inclined to be prominent. When he left Fresno he had on a dark gray coat and pants, black sweater and black derby hat. His wheel was a Rambler, '95. It had a 23-inch frame, with a 26-inch copper mudguard, worn off and discarded. The number of the wheel could not be ascertained. Address information to Fresno Typographical Union, Frank Tiersan, secretary, *Expositor* office, Fresno, Cal.

Norman is the best bicycle doctor.

For the finest lunch and glass of beer go to the Tivoli.

Second-hand bicycles, \$12.50. Thompson.

But Say,

Don't waste hot females heat them all, which you can get at the Old Palm Garden?

Universal Food Choppers at Barrett Hicks Co.'s.

Engraved Visiting Cards at Cozart's.

Toys, Bicycles, Cameras. Thompson.

Sanitary Plumbing goods. We are leaders. Barrett-Hicks Co.

Cameras and Christmas. Thompson.

Christmas Presents.

Really the handiest and most carefully selected stock of goods and one in which you can find a Xmas present for any relative or friend, with prices to suit, can be found at South & Fenelon's.

Toys at Thompson's.

Bicycles \$25.50 at Thompson's.

TODAY'S SERVICES

St. James Episcopal—Corner Fresno and N streets, Rev. William Lucas, rector. Holy communion on the first Sunday of the month after 11 o'clock service; on all other Sundays at 7:30 a.m. Services every Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. All are cordially invited to attend.

Our Father—DeWitt Hall, 1 street, W. H. Martin, pastor. Residence 1287 O street. Preaching today at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Junior Endeavor at 3 p.m. Senior Endeavor at 6:15 p.m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Subject of Sunday evening's discourse: "The World's Inadequacy to the Method-ist Church."

The First Church of Christ, Scientist—Services every Sunday at 11 a.m. in Knights of Pythias hall in Donahoe, Edmunds & Co. building. Sunday school immediately after services. Bible study Friday evening at 8 o'clock at 1457 J street. Public cordially invited to all holidays. Sunday morning's subject, "Fellowship in Light and Love."

Methodist Episcopal—Rev. J. E. Carpenter, pastor. Residence 1614 M street. Services at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. in Congregational church, corner of K and Jno streets. Preaching by Rev. W. F. Coffin, presiding elder of the Fresno district. Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Young people's meeting at 6:30 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Methodist Episcopal—Corner Merced and K streets. Rev. Arthur A. Graves, pastor. Class meeting at 12:15 p.m., W. F. H. H. leader. Preaching 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Junior and Senior League at 3 p.m. Christian Endeavor prayer meeting 6:15 p.m. Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. General prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Friday, 8 p.m., business meeting. Rev. Mr. Henning of Oakland will preach at 11 a.m., 7:30 p.m., preaching by the pastor; subject: "Economy in the Supernatural."

German Lutheran Church—Rev. J. W. Mount, pastor. Morning services at 11 a.m. Evening service at 7:30 p.m. Sunday school at 10 a.m. Young People's meeting at 6:30 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

Belmont Avenue Presbyterian Church—Services in Belmont hall, corner of Blackstone and Belmont streets. Pastor, Rev. C. A. Mann, Residence 104 1/2 Belmont. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. No service on Wednesday. Preaching until further notice, owing to the difficulty of heating the hall. All are welcome.

Danish Lutheran—J. J. Jolander, pastor. Residence 921 Nelson avenue. Services in the church on Elm avenue every Sunday except the first in each month at 10:30 a.m. On the second and fourth Sundays of the month services in the German Lutheran church, corner of Ventura and I streets at 4 p.m., and on the third Sunday in each month at Oleander at 8 p.m. All kindly invited.

Gospel Mission—Corner I and Merced streets. Meetings every evening 7:30 p.m. Divine healing meeting Sunday 2:30 p.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Everyone cordially invited.

First Baptist—Corner Merced and K streets. Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. by Rev. David James of San Francisco.

First Baptist—All services will be held in the lecture room of the Advent church, Sunday school 9:45 a.m. Preaching at 11 a.m. Y.P.E.U. meeting at 8:30 p.m. Preaching at 7:30 p.m. All cordially invited to attend all services. J. M. French, pastor.

German Lutheran—Corner L and Ventura streets, S. Hoerlein, pastor. Residence 850 J street. Sunday school at 9:15 a.m. Preaching at 10:30 a.m. Evening services every first and third Sunday in the month at 7:30 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

Episcopal—Rev. G. W. Gray, pastor. Residence 1805 E street. Preaching at 11:15 a.m. Subject: "How to Entertain Strangers." At 6:30 B.Y.P.U. At 7:30, subject: "A Bible Church as Was Founded in the day of Christ." Holiday program—Rev. Webb will lecture December 30th in a union meeting with all pastors. A grand program for the day.

First Armenian Presbyterian—Morning services in English at 11 a.m., afternoon services in Armenian at 3 p.m., in Nichols' hall, I street. Everybody welcome. Rev. L. T. Burbank, pastor.

Volunteers Army—Meetings today at the Armory at 941 J street at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. General invitation to the public.

Burmese Mission—Church, corner P and Silver streets, opposite High school. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. by C. A. Sanctified. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All Scandinavians invited.

People's Park Gospel Trumpet—One sermon every Sunday between 3 and 4 o'clock, by Rev. J. Wilson Naby.

Bethel Mission, divine healing—Cottage prayer meeting at 117 Abby street, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Martin.

It is easy to catch a cold and just as easy to get rid of it if you commence early to use One Minute Cough Cure. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take, safe to use and sure to cure. Dr. C. Padlock, druggist, 1720 Mariposa street.

THE LEADING DRY GOODS HOUSE OF FRESNO.

W. McCallum & Co.,

THE LARGEST AND BEST LIGHTED DRY GOODS HOUSE IN CENTRAL CALIFORNIA.

Sole agents Eskay Gloves.
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Sole agents the world-renowned Kid fitting Corsets.

Corset Depot for Central California.

Headquarters for Fast Black Hosiery.

Special Attractions for the Holiday Trade

A RARE COMBINATION OF HIGH-CLASS MERCHANDISE AND LOW PRICES

The following stocks are well supplied with useful goods suitable for Xmas presents.

CLOAKS.

KID GLOVES.

DRESS GOODS.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

BLACK DRESS GOODS.

UMBRELLAS.

BLANKETS.

UNDERWEAR.

Our Cloak Stock comprises all the latest styles to be found in metropolitan centers at lowest prices on the Pacific Coast. Stylish Jackets from \$1.50 to \$17.50. Plain Capes, \$3.00 to \$17.50. Cloth Capes, \$2.00 to \$7.50. Astrachan Capes, \$5.00. We invite all cloak buyers to examine the most complete stock in Fresno.

We show a magnificent stock of Dress Goods specially selected for the holidays, all marked at exceptionally low prices. Large assortment pattern suits, \$1.75 to \$15.00 per suit pattern.

We show the Blanket Stock of Central California. All-Wool California White Blankets, \$5.00 to \$10.00. See J street windows for Blanket Display.

Volunteers Army—Meetings today at the Armory at 941 J street at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. General invitation to the public.

We respectfully invite all cash buyers to call and examine our stock and take advantage of the peerless values we offer. See our show windows for the largest display of any dry goods house in the interior of California.

STORE WILL BE CLOSED SATURDAY—XMAS DAY.

W. McCallum & Co.,

MARIPOSA AND J STREETS.

GEO. W. ALLEN,
PACIFIC COAST AGENT FOR LIGHT CYCLE CO.

32 EAST FRONT STREET, SELMA.
WRITE FOR 1898 PRICES.
Repairing well and quickly done by skilled workmen.

Attention.

IF You Want to get FULL value for Your Money, THEN go to

THE BODEGA.

I do NOT one day offer \$1.50 GOODS for \$1.00 and the NEXT day call the SAME GOODS "HONEST and RELIABLE" goods.

M. SANDER,

WINE AND LIQUOR MERCHANT,

Telephone Main 94. 1021 J Street.

Things Are Coming My Way.

And they'll come your way if you'll come my way for your Christmas shopping. It's like saying if you add 2 and 2 the answer will be 4. It's a very simple problem. People who get 100 cents worth of goods for \$1 won't get where they may get possibly 60 cents worth for the same dollar. The great buying power of the dollar at Thompson's thus explains why things are coming my way.

Thompson's Big Bargain Store,

1154 and 1156 J St.

FANCY LARGE RED APPLES, 3c PER POUND

MIXED CANDY, 3 POUNDS FOR 25c

ALL KINDS of NUTS, 10c PER POUND

35 Kinds of Fancy Cakes and Biscuits At the Very Lowest Prices.

H. GRAFF & CO.

IF YOU WANT TO HAVE MONEY AND MAKE YOUR CHILDREN HAPPY GO TO

S. LION

and buy presents for them.

Toy Wagons, Bicycles, Rocking Horses, Magic Lanterns, Guns, Steamboats, Passenger Trains, Stoves, Bells, Horns, etc.

New and Second-hand Store. 1146 J Street. Next to the Lytton.

Notice of Commissioners' Sale.

In the Superior Court, County of Fresno, State of California.

The California Savings and Loan Society (a corporation) Plaintiff, vs. E. C. Osborn, et al., Defendants.

WHEREAS, an ORDER OF SALE IN THE above entitled cause to me directed, was issued out of the Superior Court of said County of Fresno, on the 25th day of November, 1897, on a judgment and decree of foreclosure of mortgage recorded therein and docketed on the 23d day of November, 1897, in favor of said Plaintiff, and against the defendants Harry A. Campbell, sometimes known as Harry Campbell, Fresno Loan and Savings Bank (a corporation), E. C. Osborn, Emma H. Osborn (formerly Emma L. Campbell), sometimes known as Emma Campbell (now wife of H. H. Hufschlager) and John Getty, Defendant, which said judgment and decree is recorded in judgment book, volume 12 of the said Superior Court, on page 12, etc., for the sum of one thousand three hundred and 81-100 dollars in gold coin of the United States, with interest thereon at the rate of 7 per cent per annum from the date of said judgment, and accruing costs.

And whereas, I am commanded by the said order of sale to sell the mortgaged premises to satisfy the said judgment and all costs.

Notice is hereby given that on Sunday, the 30th day of December, 1897, at 12 o'clock m. of that day, in front of the vest door of the court house, in Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, in obedience to the commands of said order of sale, I will sell the mortgaged premises described in the said order of sale as follows: Situate, lying and being in the County of Fresno, State of California, viz: Lot No. 228 of Central California colony, being the north half of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter (NW 1/4 of NW 1/4) of section twenty-six (26) in Township thirteen (13) north of range twenty (20) east, Mount Diablo base; and together with all the improvements and appurtenances thereto belonging.

And that the said sale will be made at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, payable in gold coin of the United States.

Dated Fresno, November 28th, 1897.

J. F. Cowdery, Attorney for Plaintiff. 127

RADIN & KAMP—THE WHITE FRONT STORES.

A TIMELY REMINDER

—WHERE TO BUY—

Your Christmas Gifts

We desire, of course, to refer you to our stores. Our stock is enormous, our variety of novelties equally so, while our remarkably low prices are within the reach of all.

Beautiful Dolls	For Xmas Gifts.	Purest of Bleached Linen Damask Table Sets	For Xmas Gifts.
A Lovely Assortment of Fancy Goods	For Xmas Gifts.	Splendid Damask Towels	For Xmas Gifts.
Superb Hosiery	For Xmas Gifts.	Beautiful Down Comforters	For Xmas Gifts.
The Prettiest of Handkerchiefs	For Xmas Gifts.	Handsome Blankets	For Xmas Gifts.
Delightful Perfumery	For Xmas Gifts.	Perfection of Footwear in Ladies' Shoes	For Xmas Gifts.
Magnificent Sofa Pillows	For Xmas Gifts.	Equally Perfect Men's Shoes	For Xmas Gifts.
Dainty Head Beasts	For Xmas Gifts.	Wonderful Assortment of Slippers	For Xmas Gifts.
Fascinating Fascinators	For Xmas Gifts.	Charming Line of Gents' Neckwear	For Xmas Gifts.
Handsome Shetland Shawls	For Xmas Gifts.	Handsome Silk Millinery	For Xmas Gifts.
Dainty Baby Bonnets	For Xmas Gifts.	Boxes of Sox	For Xmas Gifts.
Elegant Assortment of Wool Knit Goods	For Xmas Gifts.	Beautiful Initial Silk Handkerchiefs	For Xmas Gifts.
Immense Assortment of Ladies' Gloves	For Xmas Gifts.	Splendid Line of Men's Gloves	For Xmas Gifts.
Beautiful Art Work	For Xmas Gifts.	Comfortable Underwear	For Xmas Gifts.
Handsome Millinery	For Xmas Gifts.	Boys' and Men's Sweaters	For Xmas Gifts.
Elegant Capes and Jackets	For Xmas Gifts.	White and Fancy Colored Shirts	For Xmas Gifts.
Pretty Feather Buns	For Xmas Gifts.	Exquisitely Embroidered Silk Suspender	For Xmas Gifts.
Fine Fur Collarettes	For Xmas Gifts.	Boys' Suits	For Xmas Gifts.
Exquisite Silks	For Xmas Gifts.	Men's Suits	For Xmas Gifts.
The Prettiest Weaves of Dress Goods	For Xmas Gifts.	Boys' Overcoats	For Xmas Gifts.
Ladies' Handsome Tailor-Made Suits	For Xmas Gifts.	Men's Overcoats	For Xmas Gifts.
Novelty Golf Capes	For Xmas Gifts.	Handsomely Assorted Stock of Boys' and Men's Hats	For Xmas Gifts.

This week we shall close out our entire stock of Dolls and Fancy Xmas Goods at half price. These are but a few suggestions called cursorily from an immense stock. There are thousands of others at the

White Front Stores,
RADIN & KAMP,
1023, 1025, 1027, 1029, 1031 I Street.

IT TAKES THE CAKE.

In fact, it takes a lot of them to inaugurate a big sale like the one that is going on at

SCOTT'S MAMMOTH CASH STORES,

and will last until January 1, 1898. He is making you some good offers that we know you will not fail to take advantage of. Below we grab a few handfuls to give you an idea, but don't fall into the error of thinking Scott has no others; he has lots at prices lower than any house in this valley.

Are your biscuits tough and heavy?	
Probably you are not to blame for it; it may be that you use poor baking powder. Try a 1-pound can of Scott's Economy at 25c. Every can will give satisfaction; no two ways about it, or he will sell you	
1 pound can Price's Cream.....	25c
1 pound can Red Seal.....	35c
1 pound can Pioneer.....	35c
1 pound can Golden Gate.....	35c
25 ounce can Home.....	35c
A dinner; what shall it be? That's the question that often confronts housewives. Scott has it.	
1 pound can Macaroni and Cheese.....	10c
2 pound can Macaroni and Cheese.....	15c
3 pound can Macaroni and Cheese.....	20c
2 pound can Heinz's Baked Beans.....	10c
3 pound can Boston Baked Beans.....	15c
4 pound can Sweet Potatoes.....	15c
Jams and Jellies, something nice, put up in 1/2 pint fancy glasses, regular price 20c, but Scott's selling them at 10c each.	
Washing Soap—We are cranks on soap and have tried all brands, but have never had any soap to equal Scott's Cream Soap in quality and price.	
6 bars, full size.....	25c
12 bars, 8x4.....	25c
6 bars Borax.....	25c
15 bars Toilet.....	25c

If you have not bought your Citron, Orange and Lemon Peels, Currants, Seeded Raisins, Mince Meat, Walnuts, Almonds, and in fact everything that is used for a Christmas dinner, you should not fail to step in at SCOTT'S and see his fine display.

THE FRESNO MORNING REPUBLICAN.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

Fresno, December 18.—Observations taken at 6 o'clock in the afternoon.

Barometer..... 29.98
Temperature, dry bulb..... 42
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Humidity, percent..... 72
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Maximum Temperature for past 24 hours..... 48
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Total rainfall past 24 hours, inches..... 0.1
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Christmas perfumes at 1309 J street. Home industry. Produce taken in exchange.

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Fancy candy boxes and baskets for holiday presents at Norton & Branton's at least ten cent.

See the nice Christmas trees for sale by the Fresno Nursery Co., 1 street, opposite Hughes hotel.

Just the thing to send to your friends in the East—Imperial Fresno! In leatherette, 75 cents.

The nearest guess to the number of seeds in a nut gets the bicycle at the Universal Restaurant.

Downing's 10 cent cream mixed candy is the finest in the state for the price—no bucket candy, all home made.

Shoes almost given away at the sale of Memphis Shoe Co. stock at the Labor Exchange. Get a pair while they're going.

Wonderful millinery bargains at the White Front Stores. Half price is all they ask. Entire line to be cleared by January 1st.

The most useful Xmas present—a magic mending and darning machine, up stairs Griffith building, 1135 J street. M. Morris Co.

The stock of fine shoes formerly owned by the Memphis Shoe Co. is being sold away below cost at the Labor Exchange, J street, opposite the city hall.

Norton & Branton don't claim to be the "only peddlers on the beach," but they do claim to make the only cream candy in the county at ten cents a pound.

The Apollo Club has fixed a uniform price of 50 cents for reserved seats in any part of the opera house for its concert Monday night. Secure your seats immediately.

"Imperial Fresno," showing the resources, industries and scenery of Fresno county, may be had at the Republican office, 1842 Tulare street. Leatherette 75c, cloth \$1.50.

The orphanage will have their Christmas tree at the home Friday afternoon, the 24th. Toys, candies, clothing or donations of any description can be left at the home of Mrs. J. J. Seymour, 1139 N street.

The Cumberland Presbyterian congregation, who meet at the corner of Tulare and N, have secured the Rev. J. W. Mount. He will preach his first sermon Sunday morning, December 19th, at 11 o'clock a.m. All invited.

Black Bros., the up-to-date photographers, have filled a long-felt want in Fresno. The modern carbon photographs are different from what they made in '67. The only first-class studio in the San Joaquin valley. Merced street, near J. Open Sunday.

The White Front Stores have just received a special holiday line of one hundred dozen ladies' white lawn handkerchiefs, beautifully hemmed and elegantly embroidered, in floral and conventional designs. They are well worth 25 cents, but as a Xmas offering will be given away at 10 cents each. You have never seen such handkerchiefs at the price.

If You Need School Supplies

You are sure to get your orders filled complete from the immense stock at O. H. Kiege's.

Card from Frank Flester.

Not that I want to throw any bouquet at myself, but I need help. I need help to state that from where I sit it looks as if my Picture Frames, Mouldings and Pictures are just a little bit finer than any dealer has ever dreamed of carrying in Fresno. And that's no joke. Take a look at my window occasionally; they will tell you what I am doing.

Fineman,
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